(9) that the rent of the stall occupied by B. Ackford in the Market Bazaar be reduced to $3.50 per month, this being the same as paid for the rest.

Taken up clause by clause.

The first clause was passed.

On the second clause being read Ald. Hunt stated that he was not quite clear as to the way he should report on the fodder question. At the last meeting of the Council Ald. Minhinnick had moved that new tenders be called for. He had called for new tenders, but he now found that no note had been made of the motion in the minutes.

Ald. Murray thought the calling for new tenders would be unjust to Mr. Smith.

Ald. Minhinnick held that $15 a ton for hay was exorbitant, and new tenders should be called for.

Ald. Browne opposed opening up the question.

Ald. Murray moved, seconded by Ald Jones that Mr. Smith's tender be accepted.

Ald. Murray's motion was defeated.

Ald. Pritchard moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Taylor, that No. 3 Committee be instructed to call for new tenders for fodder.

Ald. Hyman moved in amendment to the amendment, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the chairman be instructed to purchase the necessary supplies for the Fire Department until further instructed by the Council. Carried.

The clauses up to the seventh were passed without discussion.

On the seventh clause Ald. Murray moved seconded by Ald. Hyman, that the prayer of the petition be not granted.

Ald. Pritchard moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the by-law be so amended as to allow the auctioneers to begin selling on the Market Square after 11.00 a. m. Lost.

The remainder of the report was adopted without discussion.

NO 2 COMMITTEE

Ald. Boyd (Chairman) reported (1) that the following accounts be paid:—Commissioners' pay roll, $628.60; Victoria Park laborers, $26.70; Wm. Anthistle, gravel, $279.20; John Bryan, wages, $24; total, $952.50; (2) that the following tenders for the construction of sewers be accepted:—Richmond street, Wm. Cathro and James Rogers, $711, gully holes, $20 each; King street, Moses Cox, $280, gully holes $22; Dufferin avenue, Cathro and Rogers, $449, gully holes $20; Waterloo street, W. Smith, $963.18, gully holes, $22.50; Queen's avenue, Wm. Smith, $571.60, gully holes, $22.50; (3) your Committee recommend the acceptance of the exemptions recommended by Committee No. 1 of the 9th October, *re* the Wellington street sewer, except that of John Croden.

Taken up clause by clause. First clause passed without discussion.

In answer to Ald. Hyman the Chairman stated that it was impossible to start work on all the sewers at present.

The second clause passed.

Ald. Boyd stated that it was intended to have proper traps put in at the gully holes.

Ald. Browne drew the attention of the Council to the necessity of adopting some plan whereby the stench could be prevented from escaping from the sewers.

Ald. Boyd explained that the reason for not allowing the exemption in the case of Mr. Croden was that his property derived considerable benefit from the sewer.

Ald. Jones moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Murray, that Mr. Crodon be exempt from the tax to the extent of 45 feet.

Ald. Taylor believed that every resident on Wellington street should pay the sewer tax.

Ald. O'Meara fully endorsed all that Ald. Taylor said.

The amendment was lost and the report adopted.

ALLEGED IRREGULAR PROCEEDINGS.

Ald. Browne brought forward the following resolution, of which notice had been given some weeks ago:—That owing to the illegal act of this Council at a meeting some few weeks ago, whereby the by-law governing this Council was set aside, thereby depriving (by said resolution passed at said meeting) the members of any Committee of the privilege of disposing of matters that may come before them, as was plainly shown on the evening of Thursday last at No. 2 Committee, whereby the permitted interference by resolution of the Council of His Worship the Mayor, a majority of said Committee was made a minority:—Resolved, That the subject be referred to the proper authority, namely, to the County Judge, as provided by statute, for his official opinion, and that all proceedings of the Council and the action of the Committees and the by-law for the government of the Council be placed in his possession, so that the present and future Councils may transact the business in a legal manner.

Ald. Murray seconded.

Adjourned for three weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, November 21st, 1882.

The City Council, after a four weeks' vacation, was called to order last night promptly at 7:30 by His Worship Mayor Meredith. Aldermen present:—Pritchard, Birrell, Hunt, Murray, Jones, O'Meara, Taylor, Skinner, Ferguson, Higgins, Beattie, Browne, Minhinnick, Buckle, Boyd, Sharman, Peel, Macbeth.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From A. M. Shrieves, complaining of the market By-law. No. 3, with power.

From Mr. A. J. B. Macdonald, on behalf of Mr. John Mercer, demanding compensation for injuries received by falling through a defective sidewalk on Ridout street. No. 2.

From Daniel Nolan, complaining of being compelled to pay taxes for the Wellington street sewer. No. 2

From T. W. Watson, asking for the use of the City Hall on the evening of December 22nd, for holding an assembly. Granted, on payment of current expenses.

From the City Solicitor, in reference to the closing of Mill street. Referred to City Clerk.

From County Crown Attorney Hutchinson, in reference to the arrest of one John Penderghast, who was considered to be insane, and asking that a fine recently paid by him in a case of abusive language might be returned to the wife and family. The fine and costs were remitted.

From Chas. McCarron, asking for the free use of the City Hall on the evening of the 22nd Nov., for the purpose of holding a ball. Granted on payment of current expenses.

From Rev. J. E. Moore, asking that his house be exempted from taxes. No. 1.

From H. C. Smith, complaining of the action of the Council in reference to the contract for fodder for the Fire Department.

Ald. Pritchard moved, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the contract be awarded to Mr. Smith. Carried.

From W. Bryce, asking for a license for three months. No. 3, with power.

From Thos. Browne, on behalf of Mrs. McDonough, asking for a remission of taxes. No. 1.

From John Moore, asking that a portion of his taxes be refunded. No. 1.

From John Webb, asking the Council to return a calf which had been sold by the pound-keeper. No. 2.

From Cornelius O'Reilly, asking remission of taxes. No. 1.

THE LONDON JUNCTION.

From the London Junction Railway Company the following document:—

To His Worship the Mayor and the Aldermen
of the City of London.

The petition of the London Junction Railway Company sheweth as follows:—

1. Your petitioners have surveyed and located their line of railway from the village of Belmont to the City of London, and are making arrangements to commence the construction of that portion of the line immediately.

2. Your petitioners have made such satisfactory arrangements with the Credit Valley and Canada Southern Railway Companies as will give the City of London direct connection with the said two lines of railways.

3. These connections will give the City of London direct connection with Buffalo, New York, Detroit and Chicago by way of the Canada Southern, as well as direct communication with the various towns and villages through which the Canada Southern passes in this province, and direct communication will be obtained by way of the Credit Valley with Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec, as well as with the numerous towns and villages through which the Credit Valley Road passes in the Province of Ontario.

4. Your petitioners believe (and it is generally believed by the citizens of London) that these connections will prove a great benefit to the City of London.

5. The promoters of the London Junction Railway Company have expended large sums of money in obtaining their charter and completing negotiations with the said two railways, and have expended a great amount of time, having obtained the charter only after three successive applications to the Legislature of Ontario.

Your petitioners propose to enter the city at the southern terminus of Maitland street and run the said line north along Maitland street to the Hamilton Road, thence westerly along the Hamilton Road to Bathurst street, thence westerly along Bathurst street to some point at or near Talbot street.

Your petitioners think that considering the large outlay they have been put to and the time they have expended in obtaining their charter,